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Docket: 0756-1717

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT Application of)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI)
Serial No. 08/926,592) Art Unit: 2813
Filed: September 9, 1997) Examiner: M. Whipple
For: LAYER MEMBER FORMING)
METHOD) Date: January 5, 2000

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a *Petition for Two Months Extension of Time*, an *Information Disclosure Statement* and an *Amendment* in the above-identified application.

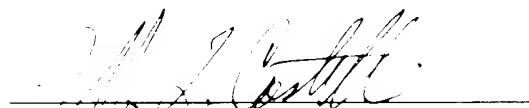
- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37
- [X] No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| Claims Remaining After Amendment | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Small/Large Entity Rate | Fee |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| Total 31 | Minus 32 | -0- | x \$9/\$18 | \$ -0- |
| Indep. 5 | Minus 8 | -0- | x \$39/\$78 | \$ -0- |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim | | + \$130/\$260 | \$ -0- | |
| TOTAL | | | | \$ -0- |

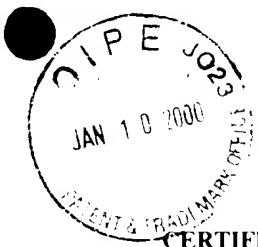
- [X] A check in the amount of \$ 620.00 to cover the *Two Months Extension of Time* and *IDS* filing fees is enclosed.
- [X] In the event applicant(s) has overlooked the need for any petition and fee for extension of time, and such extension is required, applicant(s) requests that this be considered a petition therefor and that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is requested that the time to take action in the above matter be extended for the time period indicated below:

TIME REQUESTED

FEE

[] 1 month

[] 2 months

[] \$ 870.00

[] 4 months

[] \$1360.00

[X] The above-noted fee is [X] attached, [] to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2380, under the above order number.

[X] Document(s) Attached:

[X] Response, [] Notice of Appeal, [] Brief,
[] Rule 1.53(d) Continued Prosecution Application (CPA),
[] Other (identify).

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be further required in this application, except the issue fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380, under the above order number. A duplicate of this sheet is attached.

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